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SUBJECT: WALDHEIM COMES TO NIGERIA

1. UN SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM CONCLUDED HIS POST NAIROBI AFRICAN TOUR WITH TWO DAY STOP IN LAGOS MAY 15 AND 15. UNSURPRISINGLY, MAJOR TOPICS OF DISCUSSION IN HIS MEETINGS WITH HEAD OF STATE OBASANJO AND MEA COMMISSIONER GARBA WERE SOUTHERN AFRICA AND NORTH-SOUTH ECONOMIC QUESTIONS.

2. MAJOR NEWSPLAY WAE GIVEN TO PRESS CONFERENCE ON WALDHEIM'S ARRIVAL MUHAMMED AIRPORT WHERE WHAT WOULD APPEAR TO BE PRESCRIBED WBTONE FOR HIS VISIT WAS SET. UNSYG AFFIRMED THAT MAJORITY RULE IS A REQUISITE FOR ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA, THAT TIME IS RUNNING OUT FOR SMITH REGIME AND THAT SERIOUS DETERIORATION OF SITUATION AND INCREASED VIOLENCE IN ZIMBABWE MUST BE EXPECTED
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IF SOLUTION IS NOT FOUND SOON. LOCAL PRESS INTERPRETED LATTER AS WALDHEIM DECLARATION THAT MILITARY CONFRONTATION IS INEVITABLE, THAT FINAL SOLUTION ZIMBABWE PROBLEM LIES IN USE OF FORCE.

3. RESPONDING TO QUESTION ON REPORTS THAT U.S. WILL OPPOSE ANGOLA'S
ADMISSION INTO UN, SECGEN SAID HE FAVORS UNIVERSALITY FOR THE
WORLD BODY. ON USE OF VETO POWER GNERALLY, WALDHEIM COUNSELLED
PATIENCE BY NON-PERMANENT MEMBERS UNTIL PUBLICATION OF UN
COMMITTEE REPORT ON PROBLEMS RAISED BY FREQUENT USE OF THE VETO.

4. COMMENT: NIGERIANS APPARENTLY HAPPY WITH OVERALL EFFECT OF
VISIT AND PRESTIGE IT LENDS THEM. MEDIA COVERAGE WAS EXTENSIVE.
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